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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Jeanne Davis, NSC Staff

1. Ms. Davis phoned me this afternoon to discuss the problem of storage of the materials collected by the select committees. She observed that storage at NSA is not acceptable to the people with whom she has talked, which includes General Scowcroft. 40 Committee material and NSC papers should not, in her opinion, be held and controlled by NSA personnel. She talked about the NSC taking custody and a review of this is being conducted to see if it is physically feasible to do so.

2. The NSC staff is going to try and develop two alternatives to add to the two we now have. We are preparing a draft on National Archives storage. NSA is preparing one on storage out there, and NSC will prepare two options as follows:

a. All the material will be stored by the NSC and made available for Congressional reference;

b. Consideration will be given to some segregation by originating organizations. Under the second option, the NSC may have some kind of sub-option whereby its materials are segregated from all the others and stored at the ☐ Archives along with its other papers. I noted that the sub-option puts investigative materials back in CIA hands which we had hoped to avoid.

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3. General Scowcroft and Mr. Marsh seem to be in agreement that eventual negotiations with the select committees should be conducted by the White House. Ms. Davis and I agreed that we would go ahead with the two options now being drafted for storage in the National Archives and the NSA and that her staff would try and develop its two additional options. The committee that we have could hold another meeting, rank the options in terms of desirability and put these in an option paper for White House review.

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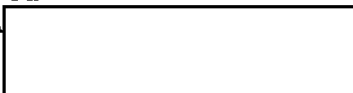
4. I noted that Mr. Martin of the DOJ is to produce some additional language on control of access, after which CIA and NSA could complete their respective proposals. I promised to provide her copies of these drafts. When she has completed hers, we will hold our next meeting, which is to be in the near future.



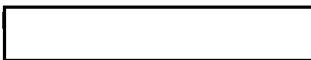
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